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SENATE BILL NO. 195

Introduced by: Senators Nesselhuf, Adelstein, Nelson, and Turbak Berry and Representatives Engels, Blake, Cutler, Dreyer, Hoffman, Hunhoff (Bernie), McLaughlin, and Street

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to repeal the ban on certain medical research.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 3 Section 1. That § 34-14-16 be repealed.
- 4 34-14-16. No person may knowingly conduct nontherapeutic research that destroys a human
- 5 embryo. A violation of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor.
- 6 Section 2. That § 34-14-17 be repealed.
- 7 34-14-17. No person may knowingly conduct nontherapeutic research that subjects a human
- 8 embryo to substantial risk of injury or death. No person may sell or transfer a human embryo
- 9 with the knowledge that the embryo will be subjected to nontherapeutic research. A violation
- 10 of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor.
- Section 3. That § 34-14-18 be repealed.
- 12 34-14-18. No person may use for research purposes cells or tissues that the person knows
- were obtained by performing the activities described in §§ 34-14-16 and 34-14-17. A violation
- 14 of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor.

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- Section 4. That § 34-14-19 be repealed.
- 2 34-14-19. For purposes of §§ 34-14-16 to 34-14-20, inclusive, the term, nontherapeutic
- 3 research, means research that is not intended to help preserve the life and health of the particular
- 4 embryo subjected to risk. It does not include in vitro fertilization and accompanying embryo
- 5 transfer to a woman's body or any diagnostic test which may assist in the future care of a child
- 6 subjected to such tests.
- 7 Section 5. That § 34-14-20 be repealed.
- 8 34-14-20. For purposes of §§ 34-14-16 to 34-14-20, inclusive, the term, human embryo,
- 9 means a living organism of the species Homo sapiens at the earliest stages of development
- 10 (including the single-celled stage) that is not located in a woman's body.